THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (d) The Committee set up by the Government for restructuring .of Central Secretariat Service (CSS) has submitted its report on 28.2.2002. The Committee has made several recommendations to ease the stagnation in CSS. However, no final decision has been taken on these recommendations. Hence, it is not possible to indicate the impact of the report on various grades, including Grade-I/Selection Grade and Senior Selection Grade as also as to how many Grade-I officers of Select List 1987 to 1990 will be included in the list of Selection Grade Officers/Directors by July, 2004.

Alagh Committee to Review functioning of Civil Services Examination

4617. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Y.K. Alagh Committee appointed by Government to review functioning of the Civil Services Examinations has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the salient features of the recommendations;

(c) whether Government have examined these recommendations; and

(d) the decision taken with regard to their implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The Union Public Service Commission had appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Y.K. Alagh to review the present scheme of Civil Services Examination. The Review Committee has submitted its report to the Commission on 22.10.2001. The salient recommendations of the Committee pertain to the areas of eligibility parameters of candidates appearing for Civil Services Examination, schemes of Preliminary and main examinations, Personality Testing, allocation of services and post-induction issues of training and management of services.

(c) and (d) The UPSC are at present considering the recommendations of the Committee. Thereafter the Commission will forward its recommendations on the Report to the Government for consideration.

Departmental Inquiry

4618. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether departmental inquiry can be initiated even when that matter is under the consideration of civil/criminal court;

(b) if so, the details of the relevant provisions; and

(c) if not, the fate of such a departmental inquiry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) It has been held by the Supreme Court in the case of Capt. M. Paul Anthony Vs. Bharat Gold Mines Limited & Another, (JT 1999(2) SC) 456 that departmental proceedings and proceedings in a criminal case can proceed simultaneously and there is no bar in their being conducted simultaneously, though separately.

Filling up of the post vacated by suspended Employee

4619. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the post on which an employee placed under suspension can be filled up by transfer/promotion during the on-going suspension;

(b) if so, the details of the relevant provisions; and

(c) if not, the steps proposed for stopping such transfer/ promotion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) As per the instructions contained